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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN ARTICLE XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS

REFERENCES: GENEVA 6635

1. REVIEW OF SA STATEMENT OF CONCESSIONS SHOWS SEVERAL DIS-
CREPANCIES WITH US UNDERSTANDING OF SETTLEMENT PACKAGES.
MISSION REQUESTED CLARIFY STATUS WITH SA REPS.

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A. IN SA STATEMENT UNDER CONCESSIONS TO BE WITHDRAWN, THE

FOLLOWING ITEMS LISTED IN ORIGINAL NOTIFICATION, AS SUBSEQUENTLY MODIFIED, ARE NOT INCLUDED.

EX 28.10.50 PHOSPHORIC ACIDS (META-, ORTHO-, PYRO-). US-PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER.

29.02.45, 29.02.50 TETRACHLORETHYLENE, ETHYLENE DICHLORIDE, CAROBON TETRACHLORIDE, CHLORINATED DIPHENYL. US-PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER OF 29.02.45.

EX 82.05 INTERCHANGEABLE TOOLS FOR HANDTOOLS...TUNGSTEN CARBIDE TIPPED CUTTING TOOLS FOR USE WITH INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY. US-INITIAL NEGOTIATOR.

84.56.89 MACHINERY FOR CRUSHING, SCREENING, SORTING... PORTABLE OR MOBILE, IDENTIFIABLE FOR USE SOLELY OR PRINCIPALLY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY. US-INITIAL NEGOTIATOR.

B. THE FOLLOWING ITEM IS PRESENTLY LISTED UNDER ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN. SOUTH AFRICA HAD PREVIOUSLY INFORMED THE US THAT THE ITEM WAS ONLY TO BE MODIFIED AS INDICATED BELOW.

EX 20.06 FRUIT OTHERWISE PREPARED OR PRESERVED...OTHER (EXCLUDING 20.06.90, NAMELY, GINGER PRESERVED IN SYRUP, IN CONTAINERS CONTAINING NOT LESS THAN 100 LB. NET WEIGHT EACH, NUTS, BANANAS, PINEAPPLES, ORANGES AND GUAVAS. PRESENT DUTY 25 PERCENT OR SA 165 CENTS/100 LBS. TO BE MODIFIED TO 25 PERCENT OR SA 9 CENTS/KILO (9 CENTS/KILO CONVERTS TO 574 CENTS/100 LBS.). US-INITIAL NEGOTIATOR.

C. THE FOLLOWING ITEM, INCLUDED IN ORIGINAL NOTIFICATION AND SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION, IS NOT LISTED UNDER EITHER CONCESSIONS TO BE WITHDRAWN OR CONCESSIONS TO BE MODIFIED. PLEASE VERIFY STATUS.

EX 82.03 HANDTOOLS...BRICKLAYERS' POINTING, GAUGING, PLASTERING TROWELS. US-PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER. SA HAD PROPOSED RAISING THE BINDING FROM 3 PERCENT TO 20 PERCENT.

D. SA OFFERS OF COMPENSATION ACCEPTED BY THE US NOT INCLUDED IN SA SUBMISSION.

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EX 90.07 OTHER PHOTOGRAPHIC CAMERAS, BUT EXCLUDING LITHOGRAPHIC CAMERAS AND ELECTROSTATIC AUTOMATIC DOCUMENT REDUCERS (CONCESSION TO INCLUDE 90.07.10 -- AIR-SURVEY, MICROSCOPIC AND MEDICAL SURGICAL CAMERAS; AND 90.07.80 -- OTHER CAMERAS). CURRENT TARIFF 12.5 PERCENT. SA OFFER 10 PERCENT. US AND SA AGREED ON 6 PERCENT APRIL 1972.

EX 90.08 CINEMATOGRAPHIC SOUND PROJECTORS. CURRENT

TARIFF 5 PERCENT. SA OFFER FREE. US ACCEPTED FREE OCTOBER 1971.

EX 90.09 IMAGE PROJECTORS. CURRENT TARIFF 15 PERCENT. SA OFFER 10 PERCENT. US REQUESTED 7.5 PERCENT NOVEMBER 1971
US AND SA AGREED ON 7.5 PERCENT FEBRUARY 1972.

2. SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE CLARIFICATION OF ABOVE WE PREPARED CONCLUDE ARTICLE XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS PROVIDED SA AGREES TO EXCHANGE OF NOTES RECOMMENDED PARA 3 REFTEL GUARANTEEING FREE ISSUANCE SA IMPORT LICENSES ON NEW CONCESSION ITEMS UNTIL ITEMS ARE PLACED ON FREE LIST. NOTES EXCHANGED SHOULD EXPLICITLY STATE THAT WHILE USG HAD HOPED THAT SA WOULD ELIMINATE ALL ILLEGAL QR'S, WITHIN CONTEXT OF ARTICLE XXVIII RENEGOTIATION SETTLEMENT, USG WOULD BE PREPARED ACCEPT, IN INTEREST OF REACHING FINAL SETTLEMENT, SA COMMITMENT ON UNRESTRICTED IMPORT LICENSING ON NEW

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CONCESSION ITEMS AND THOSE WITHDRAWN FROM GATT SCHEDULE OR MODIFIED. IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST, SA SHOULD BE REMINDED THAT THROUGHOUT ARTICLE XXVIII TALKS, SA HAS REASSURED US THAT TARIFF FREEDOM ON CERTAIN CONCESSION ITEMS BEING SOUGHT IN ORDER TO REPLACE QR'S ON THOSE ITEMS WITH HIGHER TARIFF. WITH RESPECT TO CONTINUING APPLICATION OF ILLEGAL QR'S ON OTHER ITEMS, NOTE SHOULD ALSO MAKE CLEAR THAT USG IS RESERVING ITS RIGHTS RE OTHER ILLEGAL QR'S AND WILL CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR THEIR REMOVAL. RUSH

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